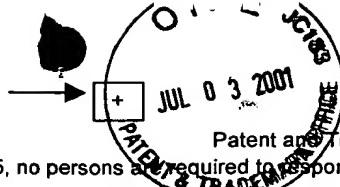


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OR

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First Named Inventor	DiNello
COMPLETE IF KNOWN	
Application Number	09/823,868
Filing Date	March 30, 2001
Group Art Unit	1641
Examiner Name	Not Yet Assigned

As a below named Inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

is attached hereto

OR

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03/30/2001

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Application Number 09/823,868 and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY)  (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

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As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following registered practitioner(s) to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:  Customer Number **021971** →

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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Robert K.				DiNello				
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#3.

**POWER OF ATTORNEY BY ASSIGNEE TO EXCLUSION OF INVENTOR  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.71 WITH REVOCATION OF PRIOR POWERS**

The undersigned ASSIGNEE of the entire interest in:

- U.S. Patent No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 U.S. application no. 09/823,868, filed on March 30, 2001

hereby appoints the following attorneys of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati:

Attorney Name	Reg. No.	Attorney Name	Reg. No.
Paul Davis	29,294	David J. Weitz	38,362
David J. Abraham	39,554	U.P. Peter Eng	39,666
George A. Willman	41,378	John Gilmore	46,375
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Kenta Suzue	45,145	Jonathan T. Manson	43,774

and all Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati attorneys registered to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office, to prosecute this application and transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection therewith and hereby revokes all prior powers of attorney; said appointment to be to the exclusion of the inventors and the inventors' attorneys in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 3.71.

The following evidentiary documents establish a chain of title from the original owner to the Assignee:

*(complete one of the following)*

- a copy of an Assignment attached hereto, which Assignment has been (or is herewith) forwarded to the Patent and Trademark Office for recording; or  
 the Assignment recorded on \_\_\_\_ at reel \_\_\_\_, frames \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) the undersigned Assignee hereby states that evidentiary documents have been reviewed and hereby certifies that, to the best of ASSIGNEE's knowledge and belief, title is in the identified ASSIGNEE.

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ASSIGNEE: PraxSys BioSystems, Inc.

Name: Alain St-Polito

Date: 6/27/01

## ASSIGNMENT OF APPLICATION

Docket Number 22203-712

Whereas, the undersigned:

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| 1. DINELLO, Robert K.<br>Hayward, CA | 2. POLITO, Alan J.<br>Danville, CA | 3. QUAN, Stella S.<br>Moraga, CA |
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hereinafter termed "Inventors", have invented certain new and useful improvements in

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- for which an application for United States Patent was filed on March 30, 2001, Application No. 09/823,868  
 for which an application for a United States Patent was executed on       , and

WHEREAS, PraxSys BioSystems, Inc., having a place of business at 12945 Alcosta Blvd., San Ramon, CA 94583, (hereinafter termed "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said application and the invention disclosed therein, and in and to all embodiments of the invention, heretofore conceived, made or discovered jointly or severally by said Inventors (all collectively hereinafter termed "said invention"), and in and to any and all patents, inventor's certificates and other forms of protection (hereinafter termed "patents") thereon granted in the United States and foreign countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of good and valuable consideration acknowledged by said Inventors to have been received in full from said Assignee:

1. Said Inventors do hereby sell, assign, transfer and convey unto said Assignee the entire right, title and interest (a) in and to said application and said invention; (b) in and to all rights to apply for foreign patents on said invention pursuant to the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property or otherwise; (c) in and to any and all applications filed and any and all patents granted on said invention in the United States or any foreign country, including each and every application filed and each and every patent granted on any application which is a divisional, substitution, continuation, or continuation-in-part of any of said applications; and (d) in and to each and every reissue or extensions of any of said patents.

2. Said Inventors hereby jointly and severally covenant and agree to cooperate with said Assignee to enable said Assignee to enjoy to the fullest extent the right, title and interest herein conveyed in the United States and foreign countries. Such cooperation by said Inventors shall include prompt production of pertinent facts and documents, giving of testimony, execution of petitions, oaths, specifications, declarations or other papers, and other assistance all to the extent deemed necessary or desirable by said Assignee (a) for perfecting in said Assignee the right, title and interest herein conveyed; (b) for prosecuting any of said applications; (c) for filing and prosecuting substitute, divisional, continuing or additional applications covering said invention; (d) for filing and prosecuting applications for reissuance of any said patents; (e) for interference or other priority proceedings involving said invention; and (f) for legal proceedings involving said invention and any applications therefor and any patents granted thereon, including without limitation reissues and reexaminations, opposition proceedings, cancellation proceedings, priority contests, public use proceedings, infringement actions and court actions; provided, however, that the expense incurred by said Inventors in providing such cooperation shall be paid for by said Assignee.

3. The terms and covenants of this assignment shall inure to the benefit of said Assignee, its successors, assigns and other legal representatives, and shall be binding upon said Inventors, their respective heirs, legal representatives and assigns.

4. Said Inventors hereby jointly and severally warrant and represent that they have not entered and will not enter into any assignment, contract, or understanding in conflict herewith.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, said Inventors have executed and delivered this instrument to said Assignee as of the dates written below:

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Robert K. DiNello

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Date: 6/27/01

Alan J. Polito

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